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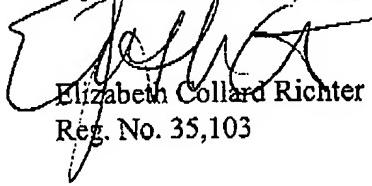
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Enclosed is an Amendment in Response to First Office Action mailed March 22, 2005.

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the first office action dated March 22, 2005,  
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.